



# CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER

## 24-HOUR REPORT

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### (U) CALIFORNIA

#### (U) Manhattan Beach – Police Investigating Antisemitic Stickers Placed Throughout City

(U) Manhattan Beach police are investigating after antisemitic stickers were placed throughout the city, authorities said yesterday. After getting calls about the stickers, officers responded to different locations in the city and found stickers “containing hate speech related to the Jewish community,” the Manhattan Beach Police Department said in a statement. Officers, with help from city Public Works crews, started removing the stickers. Police said the antisemitic stickers were likely placed in the city sometime overnight, but it’s unclear who did it.

SOURCE: 24 December 2021, [KTLA](#)

#### (U) San Jose – Arson Investigator Looking into Fire at Jewish House of Worship

(U) The Chabad house, a Jewish place of study and worship, went up in flames Wednesday morning. Surveillance video showed a person walking into the carport area next to the building at about 1:30 a.m. and smoke starting to puff out shortly afterward. About 45 minutes later, the video shows the man walking away with smoke still in the background. Ten minutes later, another man, or possibly the same man, walks by and pours what appears to be water on the smoke. An arson investigator from fire department is investigating but would not speculate whether this was an intentional act of hate or not.

SOURCE: 23 December 2021, [KTVU](#)

### (U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

#### (U) Texas – Law Enforcement Arrest Nearly 40 Migrants After Shutting Down Two Stash Houses

(U) Laredo – Nearly 40 migrants were taken into custody after Border Patrol and the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) shut down two stash houses in Laredo, media reported yesterday. The discovery was made earlier this week when agents received a tip from DPS regarding suspicious activity. A search of both homes led authorities to the discovery of several dozen undocumented migrants who are from Guatemala, Mexico, Honduras, and El Salvador. All were taken into custody for processing.

SOURCE: 23 December 2021, [KGNS](#)

### (U) NATIONAL

#### (U) Minnesota – Former Police Officer Found Guilty of Manslaughter in Shooting of Daunte Wright

(U) Minneapolis – A Minnesota jury on Thursday found former police officer Kimberly Potter guilty of manslaughter in the fatal shooting of Black motorist Daunte Wright during a traffic stop at which she mistakenly discharged her handgun instead of her Taser. A 12-member jury declared Potter, 49, guilty of first-degree and second-degree manslaughter in the death of the 20-year-old Wright, whom she killed in the Minneapolis suburb of Brooklyn Center on 11 April with a bullet to the chest.

SOURCE: 23 December 2021, [Reuters](#)

**(U) Pennsylvania – Five Teenagers Charged in Armed Carjacking of US Representative Scanlon**

(U) Philadelphia – Five teenagers were charged yesterday after the vehicle stolen at gunpoint in Philadelphia from US Representative Mary Gay Scanlon was found in neighboring Delaware, police said. The five were apprehended as they tried to flee. Scanlon, a Democrat, was walking to her parked vehicle after a meeting shortly before 3 p.m. Wednesday when two armed men demanded her keys. Scanlon was physically unharmed, but several personal and work items were taken with the vehicle, police said. The investigation determined a 19-year-old man was involved in the armed carjacking in Philadelphia. He was turned over to the FBI.

SOURCE: 23 December 2021, [AP](#)

**(U) INTERNATIONAL**

**(U) Brazil – US Designates Three Men in Brazil as Affiliated with al-Qa’ida**

(U) Rio De Janeiro – The US Treasury on Wednesday designated three men in Brazil as being affiliated with al-Qa’ida and having given support to the terrorist group. The Treasury said the action targets the international financing of al-Qa’ida. It said all property and interests in property of the three men and any entities that they own in the United States or that are in the possession or control of US residents must be blocked and reported to the Treasury.

SOURCE: 22 December 2021, [AP](#)

**(U) Niger – US Embassy in Niger Issues Security Alert Due to Possible Attack Plot in Niamey**

(U) Niamey – The US Embassy in Niger issued a security alert yesterday after being informed of a potential attack being planned in Niamey or surrounding populous areas. The attack will possibly include the usage of a stolen ambulance. The embassy said there is no additional information as to timing or targets. The embassy encouraged US citizens in Niger to avoid any locally known populated areas and Westerner-frequented areas in Niamey for the weekend, effective immediately.

SOURCE: 23 December 2021, [US State Department](#)

**(U) Nigeria – Five Killed in Explosions Near Air Base**

(U) Maiduguri – At least five people were killed, and more than a dozen injured yesterday after several explosions near an air force base in Nigeria's Maiduguri town, ahead of a visit by President Muhammadu Buhari, residents and a hospital source said. Four people were killed in Maiduguri's Gomari Ayafe area, a few hundred meters from an air force base, residents said. President Buhari landed at the base less than an hour after explosions were heard in neighborhoods near the base.

SOURCE: 23 December 2021, [Reuters](#)

**(U) Turkey – Turkish Authorities Arrest Seven ISIS Members in Gaziantep, Kayseri Provinces**

(U) Gaziantep – Turkish security forces arrested seven Islamic State (ISIS) members in separate operations in two provinces on Wednesday. Six suspects involved in funneling money to the terror group were arrested in the southeastern province of Gaziantep, according to the provincial police force. The operation was carried out after information was retrieved from a mobile phone of a suspect in custody, police said. In the Kayseri province, a foreign national was arrested after being found to be part of the ISIS network in Syria.

SOURCE: 23 December 2021, [AA](#)

## UNCLASSIFIED

**(U) Uganda – Uganda Charges 15 with Terrorism for Role in IS-Linked Bombings**

(U) Kampala – Uganda yesterday charged 15 people with offenses including terrorism and aiding terrorism related to their alleged role in bombings in the country's capital and elsewhere in October and November that left at least nine people dead.

SOURCE: 23 December 2021, [Reuters](#)

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